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| In re Application of: | Mehran Bashiri, Michael Davis |
| Application No.: | 09/944668 |
| Filed: | August 31, 2001 |
| For: | HYBRID BALLOON EXPANDABLE/SELF-EXPANDING STENT |
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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated March 2, 2005.

If an extension of time is required to make this response timely and no separate petition is enclosed, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time sufficient to make the response timely. In the event that this response requires the payment of government fees and payment is not enclosed, please charge Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

Please amend the application as follows: